

Appl. No. 09/483,737
Amdt. dated 5/18/07
Reply to Office action of 1/18/07

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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1, 9, 10 and 15 remain in the application. Claim 15 is subject to examination and claims 1, 9 and 10 have been withdrawn from examination. Claims 1 and 15 have been amended. No claims have been added or canceled.

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to place the claims in allowable condition in reply to the Advisory Action.

An early action of the merits of claim 15, rejoinder or claims 1, 9 and 10 under MPEP 821.04 and allowance of claims 1, 9, 10 and 15, are solicited.

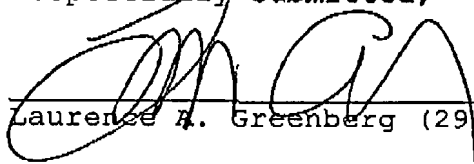
In the event the Examiner should still find any of the claims to be unpatentable, counsel would appreciate receiving a telephone call so that, if possible, patentable language can be worked out.

Petition for extension is herewith made. The extension fee for response within a period of one month pursuant to Section 1.136(a) in the amount of \$120.00 in accordance with Section 1.17 is enclosed herewith.

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Please charge any other fees that might be due with respect
to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account Number 12-1099
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